

STATE OF CONNECTICUT EDUCATION AND TRAINING COMMITTEE

2015 End of Year Report Prepared for the State of CT EMS Advisory Board

The Education and Training Committee held meeting date is the third Tuesday of the month. Meeting minutes were distributed to all members and other interested parties via e-mail and were also made available by hard copy at the regular scheduled meetings.

Sub-committees that were established for 2015 met on an as needed basis and worked on identified projects. The full committee continues to discuss recommendations made by sub-committees receiving input from CEMSMAC and Clinical Coordinators Committee. Upon approval by majority, recommendations are then forwarded to the CT EMS Advisory Board.

Elections were held in December 2015 for the positions of chair and vice chair. Michael Zacchera and Joshua Beaulieu respectively were voted in as chair and vice-chair.

The committee began discussing goals for 2016; the following goals were identified to begin working on and on-going goals to be set at a later date:

- 1) *Need to establish a statewide QA/QI initiative to monitor Educational Programs ability to achieve student outcomes that meet the Education Standards.*
- 2) *Renewal process for EMR/EMT to be re-evaluated. There have been suggestions to look at the National Registry as an option to achieve a consistent standard.*

The following sub-committees and leaders were established for 2015 to meet the committee goals :

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| 1. <i>DNR Educational Update</i> | <i>Carin VanGelder MD</i> |
| 2. <i>12 Lead EKG Acquisition</i> | <i>R. Coler and N. Brunet</i> |
| 3. <i>Paramedic Training Program Coord.</i> | <i>Mike Zacchera</i> |
| 4. <i>Regulations Review</i> | <i>Art Romano</i> |
| 5. <i>CCR Unified Guidelines</i> | <i>Ralf Coler</i> |
| 6. <i>Specialty Care Transport Guidelines</i> | <i>Nancy Brunet</i> |

Committee Updates

DNR Educational Update

Dr. VanGelder continues to provide leadership working with other interested entities. Two MOLST Pilot programs are in progress.

Committee Updates, continued

12 Lead EKG Acquisition

Educational program was developed and was submitted as a completed project to the CT EMS Advisory Board. The program was approved by Commissioner and is being distributed by OEMS on their web-site.

Paramedic Training Program Coordinators

Meeting and addressing current issues in initial paramedic training programs in order to develop consistent, quality standards throughout the state programs. Due to multiple staffing changes within paramedic training programs, committee has not been able to actively meet.

Regulations Review

Recommendations submitted in 2013, process remains in OEMS, going through internal review.

Cardiocerebral Resuscitation Unified Guidelines

Educational program has been developed, awaiting for CEMSMAC final recommendations on Statewide Guidelines to be incorporated into program.

Special Care Transport Guidelines

Collaborative project with CEMSMAC and the Clinical Coordinators Committee, as guidelines are reviewed and updated, Educational material will follow. Presently working on the use of Blood Products, guideline.

Respectfully submitted,

Ralf Coler RN Chair, State of CT Education and Training Committee, 2015